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Applicant(s) Hans-Peter SCHWARZ *et al.* Confirmation No.: 6277
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Title: METHODS FOR INACTIVATING PATHOGENS IN A BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

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Sir:

Applicant herein responds to the final Office Action mailed September 23, 2002 (Paper No. 29). Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal on March 24, 2003. Applicant petitions for a five-month extension of time, as well as any other needed extension, and provide the requisite fee herewith. Please debit any underpayments, or credit any overpayments, to firm deposit account no. 08-1641.

IN THE CLAIMS

1-42. (Canceled).

43. (Amended) A method of inactivating microorganisms and pyrogens present in a biological material comprising:

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